

**Amendments to the Claims:**

39.-43 (Canceled)

44. (Allowed) An isolated polypeptide comprising:

- (a) the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide shown in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO: 2);  
or,
- (b) the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide shown in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO: 2),  
lacking its associated signal peptide;
- (c) the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide encoded by the full-length coding  
sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number-209258.

45. (Allowed) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 44 comprising the amino acid  
sequence of the polypeptide shown in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2).

46. (Allowed) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 44 comprising the amino acid  
sequence of the polypeptide shown in Figure 2 (SEQ ID NO:2) lacking its associated signal  
peptide.

47-48. (Canceled)

49. (Allowed) The isolated polypeptide of Claim 44 comprising the amino acid  
sequence of the polypeptide encoded by the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited  
under ATCC accession number 209258.

50.-51 (Canceled)

**Remarks/Arguments**

Claims 44-46 and 49 are pending in this application. The Examiner has indicated that these claims are allowed.

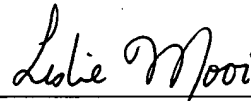
**Amendments**

Applicants request entry of the above-mentioned amendments into the specification for correction of the ATCC address, correction of the language regarding the ATCC and correct representation of trademarks. Applicants note that BLAST, FastA and ALIGN are not trademarks and Applicants have removed the designation TM from these words. Applicants submit that no new matter is entered by way of these amendments.

The present application is believed to be in *prima facie* condition for allowance, and an early action to that effect is respectfully solicited.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. **08-1641** (Attorney's Docket No. **39780-1618 P2C5**). Please direct any calls in connection with this application to the undersigned at the number provided below.

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